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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [0014] with the following amended paragraph:

[0014] FIG. 6 is a close-up cross section view of a portion of the assembled plug valve assembly similar to that shown in FIG. 5, but according to an exemplary alternative embodiment; [[and]]

Please replace paragraph [0015] with the following amended paragraph:

[0015] FIG. 7 is a perspective exploded view of a plug valve assembly according to an exemplary alternative embodiment of the present invention[[.]]; and

Please add the following new paragraph after paragraph [0015]:

FIG. 8 is a cross section view of another exemplary embodiment of the assembled plug valve assembly.

Please replace paragraph [0025] with the following amended paragraph:

[0025] The plug valve assembly 100 depicted in FIGS. 1-6 and described above, is implemented as a two port valve. However, it will be appreciated that the plug valve assembly 100 could be configured with more than this number of ports. For example, an exploded perspective view of a three port valve assembly 700 is illustrated in FIG. 7. Moreover, in the above description and included illustrations, the plug 104 and segment seal assembly 106 are configured such that the segment seal assembly 106 is disposed adjacent to the valve body outlet 110 when the valve assembly is in the closed position. However, it will be appreciated that the plug 104 and segment seal assembly 106 could be configured such that the segment seal assembly 106 is disposed adjacent to the valve

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body inlet 108 when the valve assembly is in the closed position. Such an alternate embodiment is shown in FIG. 8.